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TO: IMMEDIATE WHITE HOUSE//SITUATION ROOM FOR MR MCHANIS.

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ITEM NO: BH-6 8

DATE: 9 APRIL 74

SUBJECT: SOVIET AID TO EGYPT REPORTEDLY HALTED

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25X1C ON APRIL 6, PRESIDENT SABAT TOLD [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] THAT THE USSR HAD "JUST" CEASED DELIVERY OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT UNDER "OLD" CONTRACTS. HE ADDED THAT ECONOMIC AID SHIPMENTS HAVE ALSO BEEN HALTED.

THE ALLEGED SOVIET FAILURE TO FULFILL PRE-WAR MILITARY CONTRACTS HAS BEEN A FAMILIAR REFRAIN FROM THE EGYPTIANS IN RECENT MONTHS. BUT THE CLAIM HAS NOT BEEN BORNE OUT BY SOVIET SHIP MOVEMENTS. SEABORNE DELIVERIES, BOTH MILITARY AND ECONOMIC, HAVE BEEN MAINTAINED AT USUAL LEVELS.

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THE EGYPTIANS MAY WELL EXPECT THAT, BY PUTTING THE WORST FACE ON THE EGYPTIAN-SOVIET MILITARY RELATIONSHIP, THEY CAN INDUCE A FAVORABLE US RESPONSE.

THE LAST SHIP TO ARRIVE IN EGYPT DOCKED THE SAME DAY SADAT MADE HIS COMMENTS, AND ANOTHER IS CURRENTLY EN ROUTE. SADAT MAY HAVE BEEN SPEAKING OF A VERY RECENT SOVIET DECISION--BROUGHT ON PERHAPS BY THE INTENSIFIED EGYPTIAN SNIPING AT MOSCOW--WHOSE EFFECTS WOULD NOT YET BE OBSERVABLE. IF THIS IS THE CASE, IT WILL BE ANOTHER SEVERAL WEEKS BEFORE A HALT IN MILITARY DELIVERIES COULD BE PINPOINTED; A TWO- TO THREE-WEEK HIATUS IN DELIVERIES HAS NOT BEEN UNUSUAL IN THE PAST, AND A LONGER INTERRUPTION WOULD BE NEEDED TO DETERMINE WITH ANY CERTAINTY THAT SHIPMENTS HAD BEEN HALTED. E-2 IMPDET.H

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